

# **Texas Commission on Environmental Quality Drinking Water Advisory Work Group (DWA WG) Meeting**

**April 18, 2017**

## **Program Updates**

### **- Welcome**

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### **- Permitting & Registration Support Division**

#### **Occupational Licensing Section**

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**December 1, 2016 – February 28, 2016**

	New Application s Received	Renewal Application s Received	Total Application s Received	New Licenses Issued	Renewal Licenses Issued	Tests Administere d	Tests Passed	Percent Passed	Total Current Licenses
BACKFLOW PREVENTION ASSEMBLY TESTER	159	626	785	81	515	116	67	57.8%	
Grand Totals:	159	626	785	81	515	116	67	57.8%	6,108

	New Application s Received	Renewal Application s Received	Total Application s Received	New Licenses Issued	Renewal Licenses Issued	Tests Administere d	Tests Passed	Percent Passed	Total Current Licenses
CUSTOMER SERVICE INSPECTOR	62	274	336	46	232	106	43	40.6%	
Grand Totals:	62	274	336	46	232	106	43	40.6%	1,974

	New Applications Received	Renewal Applications Received	Total Applications Received	New License s Issued	Renewal License s Issued	Tests Administered	Tests Passe d	Percent Passed	Total Current License s
GROUND WATER TREATMENT OPERATOR - B	23	69	92	17	63	41	14	34.1%	764
GROUND WATER TREATMENT OPERATOR - C	102	215	317	65	199	159	54	34.0%	3,294
SURFACE WATER TREATMENT OPERATOR - B	38	65	103	16	63	54	10	18.5%	1,012
SURFACE WATER TREATMENT OPERATOR - C	54	83	137	54	76	85	41	48.2%	1,868
WATER DISTRIBUTION OPERATOR - B	33	38	71	12	37	55	9	16.4%	535
WATER DISTRIBUTION OPERATOR - C	140	231	371	89	201	155	59	38.1%	3,374
WATER OPERATOR - A	28	60	88	10	53	29	13	44.8%	1,054
WATER OPERATOR - D	377	170	547	217	140	477	176	36.9%	4,581
Grand Totals:	799	940	1,739	484	840	1055	376	35.6%	16,482

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WASTEWATER COLLECTION OPERATOR - I	63	41	104	31	35	43	24	55.8%	892
WASTEWATER COLLECTION OPERATOR - II	62	91	153	32	86	47	21	44.7%	1,392
WASTEWATER COLLECTION OPERATOR - III	24	93	117	22	91	28	20	71.4%	1,098
WASTEWATER TREATMENT OPERATOR - A	27	55	82	2	59	26	7	26.9%	945
WASTEWATER TREATMENT OPERATOR - B	59	144	203	28	144	85	25	29.4%	2,027
WASTEWATER TREATMENT OPERATOR - C	118	187	305	60	159	198	55	27.8%	3,262
WASTEWATER TREATMENT OPERATOR - D	182	46	228	145	35	184	102	55.4%	2,070
Grand Totals:	536	661	1,197	320	613	611	254	41.6%	11,686

**- Office of Compliance and Enforcement**  
**Program Support Section**

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**• Public Water System (PWS) Regional Activity**

Information below represents the number of PWS activities conducted by the OCE regional staff in FY17 (9/01/16 – 08/31/2017):

- 591 Complaint Investigations
- 112 Focused Investigations
- 16 Compliance Record Review Investigations
- 36 Follow-up Investigations
- 121 Recon Investigations
- 1,067 Comprehensive Compliance Investigations (CCIs)

**- Environmental Assistance Division (EAD)**

**Small Business and Local Government Assistance**

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**No updates.**

- ***Plan & Technical Review Section (PTR)***

***Utilities Technical Review (UTR) Team***

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- ***Drinking Water Quality Team (DWQT) & Drinking Water  
Assessment Team Updates***

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### ***Drinking Water Technical Review Team (DWTTRT)***

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### **Public Information Requests (PIRs)**

*(Kent Steelman and Data Support Group)*

- PDW Section Responses to Public Information Requests Completed – **138**
- PDW stated it had no responsive documents – **106**
- PDW provided individual response and/or data package – **32**

### **Data Support**

*(James Stapel, Kent Steelman, Rylan Fields, Ben Wesley)*

- Continued work with IRD to develop a migration tool to import deficiency data into SDWIS
- Continued application development for migrating treatment processes into SDWIS
- Continued work on NOV letter generation
- Completed migration of SDWIS database to new servers
- WQP database development for Lead and Copper Rule
- Federal Reporting of Compliance Data to EPA
  - Texas submitted **423,837** records to EPA for review
  - These data include information on public water system facilities, compliance samples, and violations and enforcement actions
  - TCEQ has a current error rate of **0.19%** for QTR 4

### **Environmental Electronic (E2) Reporting**

*(Christina Destefano)*

- **1** new lab began reporting data via E2, accounting for **4.6%** of monthly samples
- There are currently **80** labs reporting via E2, accounting for **95.6%** of monthly samples
- **14 of 19** labs that have not attended a workshop are currently submitting via E2
- **66 of 74** labs that have attended a workshop are currently submitting via E2
- There are no labs using the NOVA template for reporting data; all labs are either using paper or LTS 70 format

### **Enforcement**

*(Sally Paramo, Emma Jones, CarMello Manning, Emily Young, Caleb Ingle)*

- Notes for 4th Quarter 2016
  - 92 Enforcement cases
  - 3 Data maintenance cases
- Notes for 1st Quarter 2017
  - 68 Enforcement cases
  - 1 Data maintenance case

Consumer Confidence Report (CCR)

*(Kent Steelman)*

- Preparation underway on CCR generator
- Anticipated deployment date by May 1
- Letters will be sent out when the online tool is ready for CCR generation

### ***Drinking Water Inventory and Protection Team (DWIET)***

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### **Boil Water Notices**

*(John Demaree)*

Received for 1st Quarter of 2017: 330 issued; 347 rescinded)

### **Public Notice**

(Mike Howell and Kristi Krieg)

#### **Public Notices Submitted (Data Entry):**

January 2017: 453

February 2017: 317

March 2017: 367

Q1, 2017 Total: 1,137

#### **Public Notice Violations:**

January 2017: 273

February 2017: 754

March 2017: 340

Q1, 2017 Total: 1,367

### **Public Health Service Fees**

(Teri Cisneros)

#### **FY 2017**

Total invoices: 6908

Amount invoiced: \$23,672,877.94

Date invoices mailed: 11/01/2016 (dated 11/30/2016)

Due date: 01/01/2017

### **Regulatory Assessment Fees**

(Teri Cisneros)

**CY 2016:** 2274 coupons mailed out December 14, 2016. (as of 07/18/2016)

### **Inventory Team Information:**

(Carmen Cardenas, Ryan Wedell, Cory Chambers, Toni Red, Jacob Richter)

#### **1st Quarter 2017:**

DWIP Inventory Team received 1,438 requests and processed 1,073 in addition to 377 CCI's received and 223 reviewed.

### **Ground Water Source Inventory / Ground Water Under the Influence (GUI)**

(Patrick Kading)

No updates.

### **Emergency Preparedness Plan (EPP)**

(Leticia DeLeon)

52 EPP Approval Letters Mailed.

### **Homeland Security**

(Leticia DeLeon)

2,575 – 2017 Homeland Security Emergency Contact forms were mailed to all water systems located in the Houston, Corpus Christi, Harlingen, and Beaumont



TCEQ Regions. Mail outs are scheduled for the remaining TCEQ Regions in May, June, and July 2017 until all water systems in the state are contacted.

**Source Water Assessment & Protection (SWAP) / Source Water Protection (SWP)**

*(Mason T. Miller)*

- TCEQ DWIP Team manages the SWP contract with Atkins North America Inc. and subcontractors. Contractors are working with 21 public water systems to complete SWP plans and implement best management practices during FY17.
- TCEQ DWIP Team assists Texas Rural Water Association as they continue to implement SWP projects for public water systems throughout the state by providing SWP area maps and GPS technical assistance.
- TCEQ DWIP Team assists the Plan and Technical Review Section with the Texas Optimization Program and Texas Optimization Program Recognition Program.
  - Water Treatment Plants receiving 6 month certificates during December, January and February were: Aquilla WSD, Bluebonnet WSC, City of Lewisville, City of Waco Mt. Carmel, City of Waco Riverside, City of Dallas Eastside, City of Dallas Elm Fork and City of Waxahachie.
  - 15 surface water treatment plants participating in Recognition Program, currently four have met all the requirements continuously for more than five years and one for more than 15 years.
  - In February TCEQ presented the City of Waxahachie – Howard Road WTP with a 5 year plaque. Howard Road WTP has met all the Recognition Program requirements continuously from September 2011 to August 2016. The plant is currently at 5 years and 7 months.
  - For more information on the TOP Recognition Program please contact Mason Miller at [mason.miller@tceq.texas.gov](mailto:mason.miller@tceq.texas.gov)
- TCEQ DWIP Team staff continue to serve as the TCEQ GPS Coordinators and Trainers for TCEQ's staff and contractors.
- TCEQ DWIP Team staff coordinate the annual TCEQ Public Drinking Water Conference scheduled for August 8-9, 2017 in Austin.
- TCEQ DWIP Team staff participated in two Level 2 Assessments in March.

**Next DWA WG Meeting: July 18, 2017**